Executive Proclamation
State of South Dakota
Office of the Governor

Whereas, On July 15, 1880, pioneer settlers from Norway and Sweden who loved God's word and wanted a place to worship organized the New Hope Lutheran Church in rural Hayti, Hamlin County, Dakota Territory; and,

Whereas, God has blessed the membership of the New Hope Lutheran Church and today the membership is composed of farmers, retired farmers, teachers and business people, many of whom are young families; and,

Whereas, The New Hope Lutheran Church has had a presence in this community for 125 years, and special recognition will be given to the past and present members of this congregation who have faithfully conducted and carried out the wishes of the original founders of the church; and,

Whereas, Pastor Randy Eisenbeisz has served the parish for 12 years and will conduct a special service to commemorate this milestone in the life of this church:

Now, Therefore, I, M. Michael Rounds, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim July 10, 2005, as

NEW HOPE LUTHERAN CHURCH DAY

in South Dakota.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fifth Day of May in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Five.

M. Michael Rounds, Governor

Attest:

Chris Nelson, Secretary of State